

Tuesday, June 21, 1983



Egypt sending back envoy to Israel

CAIRO (AP). — Egypt's ambassador to Israel, Sa'ad Mortada, who was recalled last September to protest against the massacre of Palestinian refugees in Beirut's Sabra and Shatilla refugee camps, is expected to return to Tel Aviv by the end of the month, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

Asked if the envoy's return would mean the end of the protest, spokesman Raouf Ghoneim replied: "Yes, yes, and relations on ambassadorial level will be restored."

Ghoneim said Mortada would return before he left the Foreign Ministry at the mandatory retirement age of 60 in July. A new ambassador to Israel would likely be named "in the very near future," he added.

The Egyptian government had

said it would not return its ambassador to Israel until a timetable for the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon had been set.

Ghoneim said that the agreement between Israel and Lebanon on the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon had met this condition.

The recall of the ambassador constituted the most serious strain in relations between Egypt and Israel since they established full diplomatic ties after the signing of the peace treaty on March 26, 1979.

President Hosni Mubarak had described the recall as the "least" Egypt could do to express its displeasure with Israel's invasion of Lebanon and the massacre in the Israeli-held camps outside Beirut by Lebanese Christians.

Soviets want Syrians out of Lebanon—Arens

Post Knesset Correspondent

Defence Minister Moshe Arens yesterday said there are indications that the Soviet Union prefers Syria to withdraw its troops from Lebanon and not to keep them on Lebanese soil.

"We have information to that effect," Arens told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee. "The present situation is causing the Soviet Union certain difficulties from which it wants to extricate itself."

Arens said that since a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon is in Israel's own interests, and since both the Arab world and the West insist that Syria should pull its troops out, Israel would be wrong to state that it can live with some con-

tinued Syrian presence on Lebanese soil.

The Defence Minister said that while it is true that Syria is still unwilling to open talks on withdrawal, the Government believes that Syria will be impelled to consider withdrawal seriously because the Arab world no longer recognizes the legitimacy of its presence in Lebanon. Moreover, he said, the presence of the IDF is "uncomfortable" for Syria.

Withdrawal or not, he said, Syria is doing all it can to sabotage the Israel-Lebanon agreement. It will not balk at undermining the Amio Jemayel regime or even at assassinating the Lebanese President.

Arens said that the Syrian aim is to keep the Syrian army in Lebanon.

Reagan summons Habib to review Lebanon situation

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan, deeply frustrated by Syria's continuing rejection of the Israeli-Lebanese troop withdrawal agreement, yesterday called special Middle East envoy Philip Habib to the White House to review the situation.

Habib declined to discuss details of his session with the president. Other well-placed U.S. officials, however, confirmed that the envoy has become pessimistic about the prospects for an early Syrian change of heart.

The officials said Habib was leaning toward the view that only a complete and unilateral Israeli pullback to the international border would lead to a Syrian and PLO withdrawal. The Syrians, Habib is said to believe, would then come under strong Arab pressure to leave

Lebanon — an assessment that many other U.S. analysts discount as naive. Without an Israeli presence in Lebanon, these other U.S. officials believe, the Syrians would have little incentive to leave.

The White House was officially informed by the Israeli embassy yesterday that Prime Minister Menachem Begin has accepted Reagan's invitation to come to Washington from July 27-29. Begin received the invitation from Ambassador Samuel Lewis on Thursday, but had delayed his formal response until yesterday.

Reagan has also invited Lebanese president Amin Jemayel to the White House about a week before Begin's scheduled arrival at the end of July, U.S. officials said.

The Americans have been groping for ways to induce a Syrian/PLO pullout from Lebanon — so far

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IDF lobs shells in bid to halt Christian-Druse fighting

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter and agencies

Israel Defence Forces took yesterday lobbied shells in the direction of Druse and Christian positions in the Shouf mountains in an effort to put a stop to fighting between the two sides. Since Sunday night, the exchanges of fire between them have become intense.

Dignitaries from the villages of Ras el-Harf and El-Gdeide were told by the IDF to have the shooting stopped.

The IDF has stopped the movement of Lebanese civilians at several points between the area controlled by the IDF and that controlled by the Syrians. The IDF hopes in this way to cut down on attacks on its soldiers by terrorists coming from Syrian territory. Druse notables complained to the IDF that closing the border adversely affected trade, but they were told it would be necessary to adjust to the situation.

In connected incidents, several dozen Palestinian refugees from the Burj el-Shimal camp on the Lebanese coastal road demonstrated yesterday in support of their demand that the IDF strengthen its guard over refugee camps in South Lebanon. Last week, several refugees were found murdered and the demonstrators say that the perpetrators were Lebanese civilians or Christian soldiers.

Factional bombing and shelling also continued yesterday in and around Beirut despite an appeal for national unity by Lebanese President Amin Jemayel.

Druse and Christian militias, both behind Israeli lines, exchanged artillery fire across the main Beirut-Damascus highway in the hills overlooking the capital yesterday morning until the Israelis intervened, residents said.

Two persons were injured in west Beirut yesterday as a series of bombings continued.

7 Syrian soldiers killed in ambush

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Seven Syrian soldiers, including two colonels, were killed yesterday in a mid-afternoon gun and bomb ambush on a seaside highway south of the Lebanese port of Tripoli, security sources said.

The sources said unidentified gunmen detonated a roadside bomb as two jeeps of Syrian troops were passing by at Enfeh, 15 kilometres from the port.

As the jeeps exploded in smoke and flame, the attackers opened heavy gunfire from hiding, killing the two colonels and five soldiers, the sources said.

The Christian Phalangist Radio also reported seven Syrians killed in the ambush. It said two were lieutenant-colonels and one a captain. The gunmen had detonated a roadside car bomb by shooting at it, the radio said.

It was one of the biggest attacks to date on Syrian troops in Lebanon, where they occupy most of the north and large areas of the Bekaa valley in the east.

The ambush followed an incident earlier in the day in which three Syrian soldiers were wounded when their ammunition-loaded truck blew up only a kilometre from the scene of the attack on the jeeps.

Local security officials said the first explosion was an accident.

The security officials said Lebanese radio stations gave no indication of who may have been behind the ambush.

The Tripoli area, under Syrian army control, is roamed by various Palestinian guerrilla factions, as well as by Christian and numerous Muslim militias. It has been the scene of regular clashes for several months between the militias, often those pro- or anti-Syrian.

The ambush near Enfeh, a Christian town in the Koura district, came four days after masked assailants in a speeding car machine-gunned to death 16 persons in a garage at the entrance to Tripoli, 30km. north of Beirut.

Simha Ehrlich funeral today

Jerusalem Post Staff

The cabinet held a special memorial meeting yesterday for Deputy Prime Minister and Agriculture Minister Simha Ehrlich, who died on Sunday night. Prime Minister Menachem Begin eulogized his late colleague and close personal friend.

The prime minister said Ehrlich had been outstanding for his love of fellow Jews, his strong friendships, his humility and his pursuit of peace.

He would be missed in every sphere, in consultations, in decision-making and in the sphere of personal friendship, concluded Begin.

The late minister's body will lie in state this morning, from 8 to 10 a.m., in the square in front of Binyanei Ha'uma to enable

Doctors wary over ministers' 'new proposal' to end strike



Colleagues examine a hunger-striking physician yesterday at Jerusalem's Hadassah University Hospital in Ein Kerem. (Rahamim Israeli)

Hunger strike affects hospitals' services

Jerusalem Post Staff

Wards in several hospitals stood on the brink of closure yesterday and services in some hospitals were drastically reduced, as more and more of the country's 1,500 fasting doctors reached the point where they could no longer function properly.

The hunger strike yesterday spread to more than 20 hospitals. The staff committees of several other hospitals, including Hillel Yaffe (Hadera), Josephthal (Eilat), and many of the country's psychiatric and geriatric care facilities announced yesterday that they plan to begin fasting today.

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By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Doctors reacted cautiously last night to the "brand-new proposal" for renewing the wage talks that was hammered out yesterday by Finance Minister Yoram Aridor and Health Minister Eliezer Shostak, under the vigorous direct intervention of Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

In a day of intensive meetings and almost non-stop consultations, Begin threw his full weight behind the effort to find a solution to the 112-day strike, and, more urgently, to put a stop to the doctors' nationwide hunger strike.

All details of the "new proposal" were being kept a closely-guarded secret last night. It was understood, however, that the two ministers agreed essentially to "start from scratch" and build an entirely new salary structure for the doctors. None of the parties involved was willing to say how much the new offer deviated from the 22-per-cent limit imposed by the national collective wage agreement.

The doctors are scheduled to meet this afternoon, probably in Jerusalem, to receive full details of the new proposal. The invitation was issued by Health Ministry Director-General Baruch Modan last night in the name of all the employers.

Initial reactions from the Israel Medical Association were more cautious than optimistic. IMS spokesman Dr. Shmuel Friedman said that the doctors had not yet received any official invitation to renew the talks, nor had any details of the "new" proposal been explained.

"We are willing to resume the talks at any time and any place, and simultaneously to end the hunger strike, but only if two basic conditions are included in the new offer. These two conditions, without which we will not proceed, are: setting the doctors' work week at 36 hours, and setting the starting basic salary for young doctors at the national average monthly salary," Friedman told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

He made it clear that salaries for senior doctors would have to proceed upwards from this starting point, based on grade and seniority. It was also clear that the doctors would refuse to incorporate various elements of their current pay cheques, such as extra-duty pay, into the basic salary in order to achieve the rise they demand.

"In view of the Treasury's behaviour during the four months of

the strike and the year of talks preceding it, I am reluctant to express any optimism at this point. There have been too many lies, and false hopes and too much general disregard in the Treasury's attitude towards us to believe these reports without hearing further details," Friedman said.

The new proposal was described as being based on a suggestion worked out by the Health Ministry, which the Treasury found acceptable. The proposal, called a "real turning-point" by sources close to the talks, emerged yesterday evening from the ministers' second meeting with Begin during the day.

Aridor kept Begin and Shostak waiting in the Knesset building for several hours while he was reportedly closeted with his advisers to work out the costs involved in the new proposal. The evening meeting, which was originally scheduled to start at 4 p.m., did not get under way until 7:45, when Aridor finally arrived.

With more than 1,500 doctors fasting in 23 hospitals throughout the country, Begin yesterday decided that he would "do everything possible to extricate the two ministers from the dead end they have obviously got themselves into. Setting a new direction will allow the talks to get moving again," a source close to the prime minister told *The Post* yesterday.

Begin's plunge into the "thick of things," after three and a half months of sitting on the sidelines, began yesterday morning with a two-hour meeting with Shostak and Aridor.

The three were joined at noon by a delegation of seven doctors from Soroka Hospital in Beersheva, some of whom have been fasting for seven days. The prime minister was "moved almost to tears" as the doctors took turns explaining that their deep worry about the deteriorating state of health care during the 112-day strike had led them to begin their hunger strike, one source said.

"The doctors noted that they were not 'negotiators' and had not been authorized by the IMA to conduct any wage talks.

Begin also made it clear that he was not prepared to "negotiate over numbers and percentages." He wished rather to determine the general principle under which further wage talks could be got under way.

While the doctors described to Begin their low salaries and difficult working conditions, they stressed that they had not taken the "desperate final step of fasting"

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Lebanese inquiry said to blame Israel for massacres

BEIRUT (Reuters). — An official Lebanese inquiry into last September's Palestinian refugee camp massacres in Beirut holds Israel legally responsible, but does not specify who carried out the killings, judicial sources here said yesterday.

The sources quoted a report to be published by Lebanon's military prosecutor, Assad Germanos, as saying 460 people were killed in the 48-hour massacres at the Sabra and Shatilla camps.

The report does not specify who carried out the actual killings, but implies that the murderers included militiamen under Major Sa'ad Hadad, as well as other Christian

militias, the sources said.

The report says: "Armed elements other than the Israeli army" carried out the massacres last September 17 and 18. These were probably "border elements," it says, according to the sources. This was apparently a reference to Hadad's men, who operate on the Lebanese-Israeli border.

But those who entered the camps also included "those harmed by Palestinian violations," the sources quoted the report as saying.

This was seen here as a reference to Christian militiamen from either Beirut or surrounding areas.

The massacres occurred a few

days after Lebanon's president-elect Bashir Jemayel, previously the leader of the Christian militia known as the Lebanese Forces, was assassinated. The current president, Amin Jemayel, is his brother.

The report lists names of those killed. It says they included 269 Palestinians, 119 Lebanese, 11 Syrians, 32 Pakistanis or Iranians, two Egyptians, two Algerians and 25 unidentified persons.

The sources said the report "holds Israel responsible legally for what happened in the Sabra and Shatilla camps and the resulting violence, because these forces were in

full control of the two camps, their entrances and the surrounding area."

It says there was no proof that the leadership of the Christian Phalangist Party, headed by the Jemayel brothers' father, Pierre, or the Lebanese Forces militiamen had any advance knowledge of the massacres.

The report says the military prosecutor's investigations did not establish that either the party or the Lebanese Forces had ordered their supporters to take part in the camp operations.

The sources cited the report as

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AMSTERDAM	12-18	15-22	18-25
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HELSINKI	12-18	15-22	18-25
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Haifa Port	12-18	15-22
Tiberias	12-18	15-22
Nazareth	12-18	15-22
Afula	12-18	15-22
Shomron	12-18	15-22
Tel Aviv	12-18	15-22
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Gaza	12-18	15-22
Beerseba	12-18	15-22
Eilat	12-18	15-22

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The new ambassador of Uruguay, Augustin Espinosa, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Menachem Begin.

The Good Israel Association, headed by Nazareth District Court Judge Micha Lindenstrauss, yesterday awarded the Prize for Tolerance to Deputy Housing Minister Moshe Katsav.

Peter Vincent, president of Singapore's national trade union council, yesterday called on Histadrut Secretary-General Yoram Meshel. Vincent is here on a week's visit of the Histadrut.

Suspected child killer remanded for 15 days

HAIFA (Itim). — The Haifa woman arrested last week on suspicion of killing her four-year-old son was remanded for 15 days more by the Haifa Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The woman, who has been undergoing psychiatric treatment, has been sent for psychiatric observation. Her mother-in-law had to be hospitalized after hearing about the death of her grandson.

The court banned publication of the woman's name.

Man suspected of robbing kibbutz for 20 years

HATZOR (Itim). — A resident of this Galilee town is being held on suspicion of stealing 153,000 of equipment from Kibbutz Hulata, where he was employed for many years.

The 43-year-old man allegedly stole tools and equipment over a period of 20 years, intending to sell them when he reached retirement age. He was dismissed and reportedly began to sell the equipment immediately, upon which his alleged thefts were discovered by the Rosh Pina police.

At the man's home in Hatzor, the kibbutz secretary identified drills, carpentry tools, irrigation equipment and other items. The kibbutz had not missed the items or suspected the man of stealing.

The Jewish Agency for Israel

Tuesday, June 21, 1983
Assembly Programme Update
1.00 p.m.—2.00 p.m.
Plenary Session — PROJECT RENEWAL (Pincus Hall)
Chairperson: Mr. ROBERT RUSSELL (USA)
Address: Mr. JEROLD C. HOFFBERGER
Chairperson, Project Renewal Committee
Board of Governors: Mr. GIDEON WITKON
Director General of Project Renewal Jewish Agency for Israel
2.00 p.m.—4.00 p.m.
Four Workshops on Project Renewal
4.00 p.m.—6.00 p.m.
Plenary Session — PROJECT RENEWAL (continued — Pincus Hall)
Chairperson: Mr. PHILIP GRANOVSKY (Canada)
REPORTS OF WORKSHOP CHAIRPERSON
Questions and Answers
Discussion
6.00 p.m.
The residents of the Project Renewal Neighbourhoods invite the Members of the Jewish Agency Assembly to an evening of music, song, exhibits, conversation and neighbourhoods.

HOME NEWS

Shamir: Small budget limits FM activities

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

The Foreign Ministry's IS3.4 billion budget is only three tenths of one per cent of the total state budget, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir told the Knesset yesterday during his survey of the ministry's activities.

Only 14 per cent of the total is the ministry's operational budget — for information activities, cultural ties, receiving foreign visitors, and international aid and cooperation. Shamir said that these severe budgetary constraints undoubtedly limit the scope of the ministry's activities, particularly in "the problematic area" of information abroad.

Egypt was the first Arab state to welcome the Israel-Lebanese agreement, Shamir said.

Shamir expressed the hope that Egypt will agree to Israel's proposed renewal of the dialogue between the two countries, and in particular talks on normalization of pressing bilateral matters.

The minister called on the Soviet Union again to permit Jews who wish to emigrate to Israel to do so. Following are some of the points made in the debate, which was out

concluded yesterday:

Shlomo Hillel (Alignment): The agreement with Lebanon is not worth the paper it's printed on. What we face is either involvement with Syria, or a long stay in the Lebanese mire.

Pinhas Goldstein (Likud-Liberals): I call on the foreign minister to continue his efforts to bring about the release of Jewish *desaparecidos* in Argentina.

Dov Zakin (Alignment-Mapam): The foreign minister doesn't have the courage to say clearly that the government has adopted the position proposal to withdraw from the Shouf mountains. Instead, it accuses the Alignment of supporting the PLO.

Ya'acov Tsur (Alignment): The Israel Defence Forces should withdraw immediately from Beirut and the Shouf mountains and redeploy in the security zone in southern Lebanon without waiting for the consent of the U.S. and Lebanon.

Amnon Rubinstein (Shinui): The foreign minister's contention that the opposition is responsible for the killing of Israeli soldiers in Lebanon is unprecedented and a blow to Israeli democracy.

Drug-dealing ex-footballer gets 10 years

The Supreme Court yesterday increased former soccer star Roni Calderon's sentence for heroin trafficking from seven to 10 years. The maximum penalty is 15 years.

Calderon, 31, was convicted in 1981 of financing the purchase and smuggling of 2.5 kilograms of heroin from Turkey to Israel. The heroin courier was arrested at Ben-Gurion Airport and implicated Calderon, who was eventually extradited from

the U.S. and tried in Israel.

Following his conviction by the Tel Aviv District Court, both Calderon and the state appealed. In their ruling on the state's request for a stiffer sentence, Justices Dov Levin, Yehuda Cohen and Eliezer Goldberg accepted the state's argument that Calderon had "cold-bloodedly and unconsciously imported to Israel enough 'white death' to harm about 100,000 people." (Itim)

SOVIETS WANT

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also to get the IDF to quit Lebanon unilaterally, so that it can move south as close as possible to the Israeli border, along with the PLO.

The IDF is currently studying various alternatives for a redeployment, the minister said.

He noted that a buffer zone between the IDF and the Syrian forces would be essential in the event of a redeployment, so as to make sure the Syrians do not take over the area given up by the IDF.

Shimon Peres (Alignment-Labour) said the Defence Minister had painted a picture of the situation in Lebanon which reflected his wishful thinking.

"We had better relations with Lebanon when Elias Sarkis was president," Peres said. "He turned a blind eye to whatever we were doing, especially with Major Sa'ad Haddad, and he did not query our actions in order to preserve his dignity."

He said that Syrian President Hafez Assad was now seizing control of the PLO, and this would make PLO behaviour more extreme.

"Syria will act solely in coordina-

tion with the Soviet Union," he said. "It sees its presence in Lebanon as part of its broader national strategy."

Ehud Olmert (Likud-La'em) said that the Alignment is willing to put up with a Syrian and a PLO military presence in the Bek'a valley in eastern Lebanon.

"We must not give up our original aims in Lebanon," he said. "By a unilateral withdrawal, we would no longer lend President Jemayel the extra backbone he needs to stand up against the Syrians. Were the Alignment policy to be implemented, Jemayel's regime would collapse," he warned.

TV licence fees to be payable monthly

Jerusalem Post Reporter

From next year owners of television receivers will be able to pay their licence fee in 12 instalments, instead of three — through a standing order at the bank.

Israel Television last night cancelled the TV show *Fame* in mourning for Deputy Prime Minister Simha Ehrlich, who died on Sunday.

HOSPITALS

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Zedek and Bikur Holim, with more doctors expected to join today.

At Beilinson Hospital in Petah Tikva, 80 doctors yesterday began the second day of their hunger strike.

Dr. Yitzhak Moor, deputy director-general of Beilinson, said that "the most serious aspect of the strike is that all the surgeons in one department are on a hunger strike, and most of those in neuro-surgery. Today they should begin to feel the full effects of their strike, and they may be wholly on their feet, although they will continue to operate."

He noted that hundreds of the 800 patients in the hospital had signed a petition calling on the authorities to take steps to end the strike, and some of them had even started a hunger strike themselves.

Some 25 doctors at Ichilov Hospital and 10 at Roka began a hunger strike yesterday, and today the number is expected to rise to 95 at Ichilov and 25 at Roka.

The hunger strike escalated at hospitals throughout the North yesterday.

The observation ward at the Rambam Hospital in Haifa was closed and from now on will be used as a rest room for the 160 fasting physicians.

One of the hunger-strikers, Dr. Yigal Kam, said the hospital may have to start sending patients home within the next 24 hours if the strike continues. He stressed, however, that the hospital will continue to admit and treat Israel Defence Forces personnel. President Chaim Herzog is due to visit wounded soldiers at the hospital this afternoon and is also expected to meet doctors' representatives.

About 26 physicians, including director Dr. Dov Golan, continued their hunger strike at Haifa's Rothschild Hospital yesterday. They are expected to be joined by 20 colleagues today.

About 50 physicians were on hunger strike at the city's other main hospital, Carmel, yesterday.

A delegation of local-authorities leaders, led by Haifa's deputy mayor Yosef Blaustein, visited the Carmel and Rothschild Hospitals yesterday and expressed sympathy for the doctors.

The Afula Hospital reported that about 70 doctors were on hunger strike yesterday and had been joined by representatives of the nearby Beit She'an and Afula clinics. No departments had been closed but a decision on sending some patients home might have to be taken very soon, said a spokesman for the doctors.

Many doctors joined the week-old hunger strike at Beersheba's Soroka Hospital yesterday, as did some medical students.

Sixteen doctors collapsed, and were advised by their attending physician, Prof. Shimon Glick, not to continue fasting. Several, however, decided to carry on.

Nurses came to encourage the weakening doctors, noting that while they are not permitted to join the hunger strike, they support the strikers.

Arafat: 'I'm the PLO boss'

DAMASCUS (AP). — PLO chairman Yasser Arafat launched a crucial debate yesterday on the six-week-old mutiny against his leadership, vowing to fight Arab attempts to curb the PLO's policy-making freedom. "I am the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the sole representative of the Palestinian people. I am the commander in chief of the Palestinian forces and it is my duty to fight and struggle to preserve the independence of the Palestinian decision," Arafat said.

He was speaking at an emergency session last night of Fatah's 76-member Revolutionary Council, which dealt with the rebellion against Arafat led by Saeed Moussa.

Lebanese radio stations reported yesterday that Arafat's supporters and opponents were kidnapping each other's supporters near Baalbek in east Lebanon's Bekaa valley.

A newspaper in the United Arab Emirates, *Al Khaleej*, reported that 50 Arafat loyalists had been abducted by dissidents belonging to Jibril's radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command.

In Beirut, two PLO officials were taken into custody yesterday for investigation of a possible connection with an attempted car bombing in the Lebanese capital, the office of Lebanon's military prosecutor-general reported.

Support for Arafat was expressed yesterday by dignitaries in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza District, Tim reported from Nablus. Among the signatories of a statement are former Ramallah Mayor Karim Khalef, former Gaza Mayor Rashid Shawa, Hebron Mayor Mustafa Natshe, chairman of university student councils, and heads of trade unions and of women's organizations.

New 'settlement' created in J'lem suburb

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A group of neighbourhood activists put up tents in a temporary "settlement" on a hill outside Jerusalem late Sunday night.

The group, known as *Shahak* — a Hebrew acronym for "Betterment of Life in the Neighbourhoods" — is protesting against government housing policy which, they say, forces the needy to settle in Judea and Samaria.

Nearly 30 persons joined the "settlement" outside the Genim quarter, but several families left the

FM staff unit condemns Zipori comment

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Foreign Ministry staff committee yesterday condemned a statement by the newly appointed consul-general in Atlanta, Issachar Katzir, that "the Mapai people have the state by the throat." The statement was reported over Kol Yisrael radio.

The staff also condemned a statement made by Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori at Sunday's cabinet meeting that appointing persons identified with the Labour Party to the foreign service damages Israel's information activities abroad.

Zipori's statement is "part of a campaign of defamation carried out against devoted public servants," the committee's statement said.

Katzir's appointment, approved by the cabinet on Sunday, is a political one and was opposed by the staff committee.

HABIB

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without much success. Habib has not been welcomed back to Damascus and the State Department yesterday had no announcements regarding any early resumption of a U.S.-Syrian dialogue.

U.S. officials confirmed that Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam had been invited to Washington last week by Secretary of State George Shultz, but the Syrian had replied that he was too busy right now.

There has been widespread speculation that Shultz might stop over in Syria on his return to the U.S. from the Far East early next month. Spokesman Alan Romberg yesterday refused to rule out such a visit, although he insisted that Shultz has no such plans now.

Asked about a possible Israeli

NEW PROPOSAL

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over monetary issues. Rather, the "ultimate weapon" was implemented to shake both the government and the public out of complacency and to "rescue the medical system from total destruction."

Begin then listened to an outline of the doctors' position: that their basic wage salary must be increased to accord them a "decent living wage" and that the humiliations and loss of dignity that they have suffered during the wage talks must be rectified.

The prime minister then explained the government's dilemma. He noted that the doctors' demands were generally recognized as justified, but said the Treasury's commitment to a collective wage agreement that guarantees some measure of control over the country's wage structure. Deviating from the wage agreement would almost certainly lead to a wave of similar demands by other sectors and a leap in the inflation rate, which could effectively wipe out any gains the doctors might make in their salaries, said Begin.

Begin and Shostak left the meeting after an hour, but Arafat and Begin's aide and media adviser, Uri Porat, continued the discussion for two more hours.

The meeting, the first time Arafat has met with any members of the IMA in over two months, was described as "extremely open and wide-ranging."

Itzhan to file libel suit against Rehov Harashi

Jerusalem Post Staff

Police Inspector-General Rehov Harashi is reportedly about to file a multi-million-shekel damage suit against the Tel Aviv-area weekly, *Rehov Harashi*.

The reason for the suit is the weekly's report in its personal column on June 3 of a supposedly extravagant Bar-Mitzva celebration in the King David Hotel, in the midst of the Peace for Galilee war, when reports streamed daily about the blood being spilled."

In his suit, Itzhan intends to point out that his youngest son is an officer in the regular army and that he has never held a family celebration in the King David or any other hotel. Itzhan reportedly called the *Rehov Harashi* item a wicked lie and a cynical, unbridled use of the blood spilled in the Lebanon war.

Senior Rumanian due to arrive tonight

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Former Rumanian defence minister Ion Koman is scheduled to arrive in Israel tonight at the head of a four-member Rumanian delegation to the Mapam convention. Koman's secretary of the central committee of the Rumanian Communist Party

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The State Funeral will take place according to the following arrangements:

1. The deceased will lie in state in the courtyard of Binyanei Ha'uma today, Tuesday, 21.6.83 during the morning hours. The public may pay their respects between the hours of 8.00 and 10.00 a.m.

2. The funeral service will take place today at 11.00 a.m. in the courtyard of Binyanei Ha'uma. Invitations to participate in the funeral service will be sent to a limited number of public figures only. The public will be given the opportunity to participate in the funeral service in a special area at Binyanei Ha'uma. Those receiving invitations are asked to arrive no later than 10.30 a.m.

3. After the funeral service, the cortege will leave Binyanei Ha'uma for the Nahlat Yitzhak Cemetery in Tel Aviv, where the deceased will be interred. In view of the small space available at the cemetery, a very limited number of participants will be permitted in the funeral cortege, and this will be specifically mentioned in their invitation to the funeral service.

4. The family of the deceased ask that no condolence visits be paid.

5. The public are requested to comply with the orders of the police.

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NEWS ANALYSIS/David Richardson

Politics of academic freedom on West Bank university campuses

Students and faculty at the an-Najah university in Nablus yesterday protested against the closure of their campus for the next three months by the Israel Defence Forces as "a threat to academic freedom." They also said that the closure denied the Palestinian people the right to express their national and cultural identity.

But the same students are apparently not willing to extend such academic freedom to eight of their lecturers, who, with the support of the university administration and the endorsement of at least part of the PLO, have signed a watered-down version of what was once a contentious application for work permits issued by the Israeli civil administration.

Something of the divisiveness and the contradictions of Palestinian politics emerged at a news conference held by an-Najah at the American Colony Hotel in Jerusalem yesterday to protest against the Israeli action.

While an-Najah's spokesman, Sa'eb Erakat, praised the "moral and ethical courage" of Hebrew University mathematics professor Shaul Foguel of the Israel Solidarity Committee with the West Bank Universities, who also participated in the press conference, the head of the university's student council, Adnan Dumeri, reaffirmed the student boycott of the lecturers on grounds of national solidarity.

Dumeri who was released from the Far'a detention camp outside Nablus only on Sunday night after almost two weeks in detention, dramatically removed a checked keffiyeh to illustrate one of his complaints about treatment there. His head had been shaved.

Dumeri, who spent six years in an Israeli prison for security offences, among them undergoing military training in Syria, alleged that prisoners who resisted were bound hand and foot and then shaved.

Military sources responded by saying that detainees were shaved by another detainee, and during Dumeri's period in the camp by another student from an-Najah as part of the camp's normal hygienic requirements.

He was pressed about the recent violent opposition of the fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood to the PLO-dominated student councils in the West Bank universities and the

contradiction in the students' demand from the Israeli military administration for academic freedom, while at the same time enforcing a boycott of eight lecturers — all of them Palestinians.

But Dumeri replied with slogans claiming that "All the students are under the same light" and "All the Palestinians are in the same boat. If someone makes a hole, we all sink."

An-Najah was closed on June 5 after what its spokesman said had started off as a peaceful demonstration on the anniversary of the Six Day War and the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. He charged that the IDF had escalated the confrontation by using riot gas, rubber bullets and, eventually, live rounds. He confirmed, however, that only 200 students out of a student body of about 3,000 had participated in a demonstration outside the campus gates.

This minority cannot be blamed for playing into the hands of the IDF, as it were, and provoking the closure, since "One can't control student's emotions," he said, pointing to clashes at Israeli universities for comparison.

Erakat confirmed that eight out of 28 lecturers who had been forced to stop teaching and in some cases to leave the West Bank after refusing to sign the work-permit application have returned. They were not able to resume teaching because of the boycott declared by students at all four West Bank universities. An-Najah has presumably been saved further embarrassment on the issue by the IDF's closure of its campus.

The application was originally rejected in its earlier format as being a "loyalty oath," because it specifically committed any applicant not to support the PLO, which was defined as a "terrorist organization." The lecturers opposed this as an unwarranted interference with their academic freedom, and the form was eventually modified to make a standard, and banal declaration to obey all laws and military orders in force in the administered areas.

This formula was accepted by the lecturers, endorsed by the university administrations and evenly approved by the PLO. One of Yasser Arafat's deputies, Abu Jihad (Khalil Wazir), personally accompanied the eight lecturers to the Jordan bridges on their return and the Voice of



A picture by the security forces of what the organizers described as a "peaceful demonstration" outside the an-Najah university in Nablus on June 4. University authorities have alleged that the violence that ensued was provoked by the Israel Defence Forces. The picture was used for the subsequent identification, arrest and prosecution of people who participated.

Palestine, which now broadcasts from Baghdad, announced on May 27 that a compromise had been worked out.

Dumeri said yesterday that "the PLO did not hide this kind of decision, which has not been conveyed to the students in any way." Moreover, the students are opposed to it because they see it as the first step in implementing Military Order 854, which would give an Israeli staff officer supervision over the curriculum and academic activities of all of the Palestinian universities.

The civil administration has agreed to freeze the application of the order until the next academic year.

Erakat and Dumeri said that the closure of the university for three months means that about 700 students will be unable to graduate this year.

Arab sources in East Jerusalem and Jewish observers have said that the dispute between the students and the university administrations partly reflects tensions within the PLO. The student councils are backing the rebels within Fatah and the more radical organizations within the PLO while the university administrations are more moderate and conservative.

Erakat said yesterday that Foguel's presence at the news conference "was a clear message to all Palestinians that there is a segment in Israeli society with the moral courage to stand up for Palestinian rights. There are those of us on both sides who believe that the

dream of the two people living in peace together can become a reality."

Foguel said that while the solidarity committee could claim the support of "several thousands," they were not ready to approach Defence Minister Moshe Arens about the closure until they have wider non-partisan support.

At Birzeit University, north of Ramallah, the administration kept the campus closed for more than a week after a violent clash in the first week of June between supporters of the Moslem Brotherhood, who have been vociferous in their criticism of the PLO, and the PLO-led student council. The university is now open for the end-of-year examinations.

Similar tensions were brewing but defused at the Hebron Islamic

University, according to one of the local officials. At Bethlehem University, a Catholic institution run by the Vatican, the dispute has focused on the student council's opposition to any of the foreign lecturers signing the modified work permit.

Military sources, commenting on Dumeri's charges yesterday of unwarranted detention and brutality (such as forcing detainees' heads into toilet bowls), said that the Red Cross and lawyers visited Far'a camp regularly. Charges of unwarranted violence are immediately investigated and detainees have ample opportunities to apply to be released on bail or even petition the High Court of Justice.

Dumeri confirmed that the Red Cross visits Far'a once a week.

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figure not too involved in internal party conflicts.

Two possible candidates, are Justice Minister Moshe Nissim and Jewish Agency Chairman Arye Dulzin. The latter, however, does not enjoy easy rapport with Begin. His relations with the prime minister have in the past been strained, and he is on bad terms with some Liberal factions.

If the Liberals cannot agree on either a truce or a compromise candidate, Likud insiders predict a no-holds-barred struggle in the party. This could destroy it, and shake up the entire Likud, and possibly the entire coalition.

There is the question of who will be the next Liberal chairman. One line of thought in the party is that there is really no need for a new chairman, since the role never existed before the 1980 party convention and then was tailor-made for Ehrlich. This position, too, could be kept unfiled indefinitely, to avoid the disintegration of that strife-torn party.

The Mod'i faction will probably adopt the view that the position is best kept vacant. Their view would be that Mod'i, being second in the Liberal hierarchy — by virtue of his role as party presidium chairman — will automatically become titular head of the party.

This will be hard for his foes to

the party to swallow, and either industry and Trade Minister Gideon Papp, or Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir — or both — could be tempted to compete for party leadership positions.

Ehrlich was Begin's chief interpreter of the intricacies of Liberal party politics. As such, he is irreplaceable as far as the prime minister is concerned.

Begin will now have to make sure that none of the Liberal factions bolt the Likud framework, so that his coalition does not lose its majority.

Labour, on the other hand, again hopes that it will be able to return to power, without elections, through new parliamentary alliances in the event of a Liberal break-up.

Liberal sources yesterday discounted the possibility that former defence minister Ezer Weizman will return to the Likud via the Liberal Party. They said Weizman has his eye on Herut, since the next Likud candidate for prime minister must come from its ranks, and since the embattled Liberals are not eager to welcome another potential competitor into their midst.

Herut is warning that, if the Liberals bring the government down, they will never be assured safe slots again on any future Likud Knesset list. This knowledge, it is hoped in Herut, will restrain the Liberals.

Evicted family moves from Netanya to the Knesset lawn

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Izlik Yehie came home from Lebanon on leave Sunday night to find that his parents and six brothers and sisters had been evicted from their rented Netanya apartment and had moved to the lawn in front of the Knesset.

Yesterday, as the family sat on mattresses in the Knesset park, Izlik's sister Malka told *The Jerusalem Post*:

"Five years ago my parents paid 153,000 to buy an apartment in Netanya. The owner took the down payment and then changed his mind. Since then we have been through a dozen courts, with each one ruling in our favour."

"But we can't live there, because the owner keeps on appealing. In April 1981, when the Executor's Office ordered him out, he barricaded himself inside with a gun and they released. We went in court and, as usual, the court found in our favour,

but he appealed again.

Nobody from inside the Knesset building came out yesterday to talk with the Yehies.

Haim Yehie, the head of the household, is a disabled veteran, living on a small stipend from the Defence Ministry and National Insurance Institute cheques.

For the last five years they have been paying the equivalent of \$200 a month rent. After they were unable to pay during the last few months, their landlord had them evicted.

"It's true that there's nothing illegal about the Executor's Office's postponing action while the owner of the flat we paid for appeals, but why can't he appeal from outside and let us have our apartment? We have nowhere else to go," said Malka.

Malka gave an address where anybody wanting to help can contact the family: The Vaknin Family, Rehov Gordon 30, Apartment 1, Netanya.

Fraud squad investigates illegal building in Tel Aviv

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The police fraud squad, headed by Nitzav-Mishor Eitan Golan, is investigating how the Tel Aviv municipality permitted the construction of private offices on an entire floor in a residential building in North Tel Aviv.

A private engineer was permitted to build some 160 square metres, despite the official policy of moving offices out of residential areas.

The regional urban planning commission is also investigating how the engineer received building permits, and looking into complaints by residents that the engineer forged their signatures, which were required for the permit.

The residents of Yellin Street, near Kikar Hamedina, signed contracts that specified that the building would be used for residential purposes only.

"This file stinks," a senior source in the engineering department said several weeks ago, when *The Jerusalem Post* asked to examine the file on 6 Yellin Street.

However, the official said he could do nothing about it, because

all the permits seemed to be in order. The residents' complaint that their signatures were forged and that the ground floor was not intended for offices has been ignored by the city's legal adviser for more than nine years.

Documents showing that the city had already torn down illegal construction on the ground floor had mysteriously vanished from the file. The city told the residents that the floor was really a basement and therefore building on it was permitted. A few days ago, one of the residents found the missing documents in another file in the engineering department's archives, and presented them to the city's legal adviser.

Recently, the engineer added steps to the entrance to his office, at the expense of two parking spaces. He is rumoured to have "good connections" with City Hall, and the neighbours believe that this is the reason for the procrastination in the affair.

Following the start of a police investigation, *The Post* has learned that the municipal licensing department decided to file suit against the engineer and his wife for illegal building.

JERUSALEM POST POLL

More support for MDs than for Treasury

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — More people support the doctors than support the Finance Ministry in the dispute over physicians' pay. This was found by the latest *Jerusalem Post* poll, conducted before the current spat of hunger strikes threatened to immobilize the hospitals.

The poll was conducted by the Modi'i Ezrachi Social Research Institute under the direction of Dr. Sarah Shemer. A representative sample of 1,195 persons were interviewed between June 1 and June 10.

According to the poll, 29 per cent of those asked supported the Finance Ministry, and 35 per cent

sided with the striking doctors. Another 19 per cent sympathized equally with both sides, and 11 per cent did not sympathize with either side. The remaining 6 per cent did not reply.

Shemer said that the results did not indicate a "categorical identification" with either side.

Interviewees were also asked whether doctors ought to be recognized as a special group whose salaries should be considered separately from the overall wage packages. According to 44.4 per cent, the doctors deserve special status, but 42.5 per cent said they do not. Twelve per cent did not know and the rest did not reply.

B-G wanted to keep DPs in camps

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — David Ben-Gurion had considered the possibility of keeping post-World War II Jewish refugees in the former concentration camps of Europe under improved conditions until the British removed the quotas on immigration of Jews into Eretz Yisrael. This was said by Dr. Meir Avizohar at a symposium on "Diaspora Jewry between Holocaust and Resurrection" at the Sde Boker campus of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev here on Sunday. At the time of Ben-Gurion's visit to the camps in October 1945, the British were allowing only 1,500 Jewish olim to enter the country every month, instead of the 50,000 Ben-Gurion envisioned.

Dr. Avizohar, who is the director of the Ben-Gurion

Archives, quoted sections from Ben-Gurion's diary, showing that though the great majority of the refugees wished to go to Eretz Yisrael, Ben-Gurion felt that it would be best for them to remain in the camps until the gates of the country opened and the million Jews were allowed to enter over an 18-month period.

Ben-Gurion also met General Dwight Eisenhower and asked him to concentrate all the Jewish refugees in one area, where they would be given autonomy to raise their self respect and vocational training. The plan never materialized.

The symposium was held in memory of Ehud Avriel, who was a post-war emissary to the refugees in Europe and later Israeli ambassador to Czechoslovakia, Ghana, Italy, and Congo-Kinshasa (today Zaire).

Tunik will handle pension complaints

Post Economic Reporter

State Comptroller Yitzhak Tunik will deal with complaints from the public concerning the Finance Ministry's handling of the West German pension schemes in his capacity as ombudsman.

Tunik reported this decision to the Knesset State Control Committee yesterday during its debate on the scheme.

The committee was unanimous in its criticism of the Finance Ministry's decision to prevent Israelis from joining the schemes.

The Treasury's newest regulations state that only Israeli citizens who joined such schemes as resi-

dents of foreign countries, or who joined them in Israel and started paying into them prior to June 12, 1983, will be able to participate in such plans and receive payments from them.

The committee said that this regulation is a gross error, since the pension plan is a result of a Social Security Treaty signed between Israel and the German Federal Republic in 1975 and 1978, and effective since 1980.

The committee is expected to decide in the near future whether to ask the State Comptroller to examine the Finance Ministry's decision.

'Observer': thousands of Falashas in Israel

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — An underground network is channelling Falasha Jews out of Ethiopia and on into Israel, according to a report in the *London Observer* on Sunday.

The report, by the paper's Africa correspondent, says that the network is financed largely by "Jewish pressure groups in the U.S. and Canada." It also says that "several thousand" Falashas have reached Israel, "although the figure given out in Jerusalem is only 1,500."

Earlier this year, the report adds, 20 Falashas were captured while trying to leave Ethiopia illegally through Tigre province and were sent to jail.

The key organization involved in rescuing the estimated 30,000 Falashas is the American Associa-

tion for Ethiopian Jews, founded by Graenun Berger. The *Observer* report says that the Falashas escape through eastern Sudan, staying in refugee camps until they can continue their journey. At one stage, there were 3,000 of them in the camps.

West Bank pupils detained before exams

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 20 high-school pupils, most of them from the Kalandiya refugee camp near Ramallah, were detained over the weekend just before they were to take their matriculation exams.

Military sources said that the students were detained after they were identified in pictures taken of a recent demonstration at the camp.

Jewish Agency cuts staff, balances budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jewish Agency cut its staff positions from 3,694 four years ago to 2,885 in the current budget. Agency treasurer Akiva Lewinsky told the Agency Assembly yesterday.

"For the first time, we are able to present a balanced budget," Lewinsky told a plenary session at Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'uma yesterday. "Planned expenditure is covered by estimated income, and we shall not spend more than we receive."

He said that the Agency's board of governors has authorized a regular budget of \$390 million and a Project Renewal budget of an additional \$62.3 million.

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor cancelled his appearance at the assembly yesterday because he was busy dealing with the doctors' strike. This morning's session of the assembly will be cancelled because of the funeral of Simha Ehrlich, which will take place outside Binyanei Ha'uma.

U.S. ships visit Haifa

HAIFA. — Two U.S. Sixth Fleet ships, the guided missile frigate USS Flaherty and the replenishment ship USS Milwaukee, are paying a visit to Haifa port. The ships arrived on Sunday and will stay eight and four days respectively.

The Milwaukee will load fresh food supplies for Sixth Fleet ships in the Mediterranean before she sails. During their stay, the ships' 600 crew members are the guests of the Israel Navy.

Physicists meet at Weizmann I.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT. — Thirty-five physicists from Eastern Europe, Western Europe, and the U.S. as well as 16 Israeli researchers are participating in a summer institute for statistical mechanics that opened on Sunday at the Weizmann Institute here.

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THE 75TH anniversary celebration of the Rehavia Gymnasium, which began on Sunday and ends today, may mark the end of an era. As President Chaim Herzog, Mayor Teddy Kollek and headmaster Shmuel Michaeli joined a gathering of dignitaries, graduates, teachers, and parents of graduates who died in Israel's wars in honouring the school's history and achievements on Sunday morning, one teacher remarked that the celebration marked the end of the school as it was.

For most of its years, the Gymnasium has focused on educating the elite. Founded in 1908, it was the first school of its kind in Jerusalem and the second in Palestine, after that in Herzliya. The school differed from others of its day in that all subjects were taught in Hebrew. It also took the daring step 75 years ago of mixing boys and girls. The founders, who included Yitzhak and Rahel Ben-Tzvi, stressed quality and high intellectual standards. The school was first housed in Zichron Moshe, and occupied four different premises before moving to today's location in Rehavia.

Innon Shenger, 22, a graduate of the class of '79, is a reporter for Galei Zahal (the army radio station). He is the youngest member of the committee that organized the celebrations. "While many forgot about high school shortly after graduation, Innon has a special feeling for his alma mater. The school, with roots in the community, helps him appreciate his own roots. Innon says that the school's home-room teachers give all of themselves in imparting values to the students, including the spirit of volunteering."

A list of the school's graduates reads like a Who's Who. Many are found in academia, law, medicine, the army, politics, commerce, journalism and even business. They include Ramai and Assaf Caspi, Hannah Rivlin, Ephraim and Aaron Katzir, Yigael and Yosef Yadin, Shmuel Tamir, Amos Oz, A.B. Yehoshua, Yosef Selah, Akiva Rakhmievitch, Uzi Narkis, Nissan Harpaz, Danny Angel and many, many more.

A RECENT innovation is the abolition of formal subject majors; students can now build their own curricula. "Though there are certain basic requirements, students have the flexibility to concentrate on their favourite subjects."

Nearly everyone I asked believes there is very little difference in quality and intellectual ability between today's students and those of 30, 40 and even 50 years ago. More than one old-timer remarked that then it was classical music, and today it's pop, disco and rock; in the old days, students and faculty were better dressed, now it's casual.



The Gymnasium faculty in 1921. Headmaster Shlomo Shiller (bottom, centre) was in the habit of tying his shoelaces behind his ankles.

Integrating the elite

TEXT AND PHOTOS / Mike Goldberg



A portion of the memorial wall to graduates who died in Israel's wars, and present-day students.

clothes. The class of '79 takes the credit for getting rid of the standard school uniform of jeans and yellow T-shirt.

Are modern students more distracted, what with TV, video games, stereo, disco and motorbikes? No, say some of the older graduates. In pre-state days they had curfews, the Hagsooth, and varied groups' philosophies and ideologies vying for the students' attention and time.

BUT THE school certainly has changed. The word today is "integration." In 1974, a small number of students from culturally disadvantaged backgrounds or not quite up to Gymnasium standards were absorbed into existing classes. There were about seven or eight of these students in a class, and at first

the project was conducted very quietly. The results have been good, with better than 90 per cent passing bagrut (matriculatation exams). In general, over 80% of the school's graduates go on to university.

Today, a junior high school (hatsiva beinuni) is attached to the Gymnasium. The 1982-83 school year saw the beginnings of a major integration project with the new students coming from three schools in Rehavia, Givat Mordechai and Baka. They account for approx-

imately one third of the seventh grade class.

Last September, 110 students from the Geulim A school in Baka began their school year with students from the educationally stronger elementary schools.

Successful integration doesn't just happen; it takes planning on several levels. Ruth Leket, adviser to the junior high school, has dealt with the problems of reducing the gap between culturally disadvantaged students and those from ad-

vantaged homes. She concedes that sometimes the best and the weakest students suffer from mixed classes, and that there was considerable parental opposition at the outset of the arrangement. But she believes that the year has proven the success of the project, and it will continue next year with minor modifications.

How does one prepare students for integration, which ideally should begin in kindergarten? The school provides the formal structure, but it is the informal contacts which really count. It is in the hallways, on the street, and in extra-curricular activities where the students from Rehavia and Baka will meet and form attitudes.

ONE HUNDRED and eight Gymnasium graduates have given their lives in defence of Israel. The list includes teachers, the sons of prominent Jerusalem families, such as Yoni Natanyahu, of the Entebbe raid, and Eitan Avni, who recently fell in Lebanon.

A major feature of Sunday's ceremonies was the dedication of a memorial wall — constructed entirely by students. Moving along the wall from right to left, one moves through history, from the War of Independence to the Lebanese war. The wall ends in a corner, with the implied message of "please, no more war!"

I asked nearly everyone I met the following question: What kind of person does the school want to produce? Among the answers was: The creation of intellectuals and thinkers who are prepared to deal with life. One young graduate thought that students should be taught how to change a tire and how to deal with the police. A veteran teacher thought the goal should be the developing of good citizens.

The school has established its own traditions and formulas for success. With the current trend towards integration, it may end up as a comprehensive high school. As society becomes increasingly technological, the fields of work and expertise in the sciences and humanities chosen by the school's graduates are indeed important.

In a world where the value and meaning of the individual is shrinking, it is the human and moral values that count. Let us hope that the Gymnasium continues to meet the test of education for humanity.

The anniversary celebrations will conclude this evening with a reunion of all classes at Hutzot Hayotzer at 7 p.m.

Do-it-yourself news

LISTENING IN...Ze'ev Schul

NOW IT CAN be revealed: For some time Kol Yisrael has been experimenting with a novel do-it-yourself news-gathering gimmick. It enables the listener to pick, choose and combine news items to suit his personal taste.

Take what the radio had to say about Rishon LeZion the other day: one of the Second Programme's superstar disc jockeys informed us that the town, alongside Umm el-Fahm, had won a prize for being so pleasant and law-abiding.

I thought it high time somebody said something nice about Rishon. But I was baffled. I distinctly recalled an item the day before, when we were told in the First Programme's "Morning Meeting" feature that Rishon LeZion's police and social workers were having to join forces to deal with domestic and neighbourhood quarrels.

Police were being called out on an average of three to five times every day. In fact, things had become so bad that no less august a personality than the local police chief had been harnessed to the task.

The chief gave us his list of domestic casus belli. Noisemakers came first. Then there was the lack of parking places for cooperative apartment blocks. (That is a built-in troublemaker, and I have a suspi-

cion that some contractors get their kicks from watching the battle for eight parking places in 12-tenant blocks — which is what happens where I live.)

Next in line are the neighbourhood kids. Try sneaking one of them and you have a blood feud on your hands.

There is also violence amongst married couples, touched off, in order of frequency, by jealousy, drunkenness, different opinions on how to raise the children and sex, or rather, its absence.

I LIKE ABIE Naibee — who doesn't? Recently, Abie's Peace Ship has been broadcasting an hour of Russian folk music every day, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. The programme includes sentimental old ditties and some of those lovely, lilting Russian waltzes from the turn of the century that our parents used to dance to.

We wondered whether he was organizing a Russian request programme for Soviet soldiers now stationed in Syria.

"Not at all," answered Abie, in deadly earnest. Apparently, the programme came about in response to requests made by newcomers from Russia who used to buttonhole him every time his ship dropped anchor in Ashdod.

"I bought up the complete stock of Russian songs of one shop in Paris and of another in New York," reveals Nathan. And it's all on board — from "Black Eyes" to "The Volga Boat Song" and the Red Army Choir singing its own lusty version of "It's a Long Way to Tipperary."

I wish Kol Yisrael's Second Programme would update its comedy sketches with something less enlent than Dudu Topaz reminding us of the good old days when one could have a meal in an exclusive hotel for IL 270. Nowadays that kind of money will barely get us a cone of ice cream.

I also wish someone up at Broadcasting House would show some good taste and stop sickening discussions like the one on the Ehrlich inheritance.

GABI GAZIT suggested the other afternoon that maybe everybody should be awarded the Peace for Galilee campaign ribbon. The citation would, I presume, be "for warming office chairs over and beyond the call of duty." Bus drivers, Knesset members, everybody would get the ribbon. The cost could be covered by soldiers who are now returning their ribbons to the Defence Ministry.

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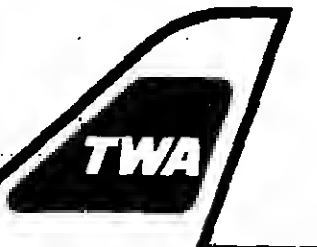
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Real estate shares fall sharply

TEL AVIV. — Real estate and land development shares fell sharply yesterday, with the sector as a whole losing 6.19%. The decline in this group was enough to drag down the General Share Index, commercial bank excepted, by 0.91%. The only other group to fall was that of the oil shares. All other sectors were ahead nicely, generally by margins of less than one per cent. Turnovers continued to ease and were barely above the 15600 million mark.

There were six "sellers only" situations and two securities wound up as "buyers only." While 36 issues fell by more than 5%, another 30 were up by more than 5% margin. This fairly even balance was indicative of the overall stance of the market.

Trading in index-linked bonds came to a near standstill, as only 15137m. changed hands. Prices were little changed. The shekel was devalued by 28 agorot against the dollar.

The O.I. shares of the Maritime Bank provided the centre of action in the commercial bank group. On Sunday the shares were ahead by nearly 10%. Yesterday they were clipped for a 5.2% loss. The yo-yo like action has confounded most observers. Perhaps what they forget is that the Maritime Bank shares are unlike those of most other commercial banks. The management of the bank has not indicated that it is "stabilizing" its shares.

The management of FIBI has also refrained from "stabilizing" practices. FIBI's general manager Zedek Bino has often stated publicly that he opposes "stabilization." The FIBI shares eased by 2.1%. The First International Bank shares were 2.4% lower, while both Danot shares were up by about 1.5%. Danot again announced that it intends to maintain control of the First International Bank and that at

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

present it is not negotiating the sale of any of these shares.

There was little action in the mortgage bank group and prices seceded within a narrow range. Binyan was the exception, as it advanced by a full 10%.

Insurance shares were slightly higher. Securitas 0.1 was the best performer with a gain of 6.1%.

The options provided the big excitement among service and trade securities. Harel option 2 was ahead by 19.4%. The Time option, however, was down by a full 25%.

Land development, real estate and citrus shares unaccountably were sharply lower. Newly issued Amnonim came under selling pressure and was clipped for a 10% loss.

The option, which debuted on Sunday, was 6% lower, Arzaim was nearly 5% lower, but the option was clobbered for a drop of 16.3%.

The Darad option, by contrast, galloped ahead by 13.1%. Mishael 5.0 was 13.2% lower. Neot Aviv moved down by 7.6%, while Solel Boneh was a 15% loser.

Among industrials, Elbit eased by 1.3%, while Elron, the parent company, was up by less than half of one per cent. Vitargo 1.0 was 9.2% lower. The Zikit shares were up by as much as 7.3%, while the option, which traded earlier in the day, was buffeted for a 27.2% loss.

In the investment company group Ellern was up by 10%. The veteran investment company is a major shareholder in the Israel Can Company, which will come to the market early next week, with a first-time public financing offer. Ampa was

"sellers only" and the option was down by 12.7%.

While the action of the share market has been less than impressive over the past two sessions, many observers are undisturbed and even express a measure of guarded optimism. They suggest that the tenor of the market could easily improve and prices could resume a slow upward course. In any case, they consider moderate movements, in either direction, preferable to sharp up or down movements. "Any sharp downward movement could easily destroy the public's recently recovered confidence," commented one observer.

Property and Building announced yesterday that Navch, a fully owned subsidiary, had purchased the last 20% held by the Goldstein Brothers in the Gad Company.

Bank of Israel exchange rates

June 20, 1983	IS
U.S. dollar	46.3401
British sterling	71.0486
German mark	18.1455
French franc	6.0288
Dutch guilder	16.2454
Swiss franc	21.9310
Swedish krona	6.0465
Norwegian krone	6.3454
Danish krone	5.0832
Finnish mark	8.3533
Canadian dollar	37.6152
Australian dollar	40.5638
South African rand	42.3850
Belgian franc (10)	9.0916
Austrian schilling (10)	25.7224
Italian lire (1,000)	3.0638
Japanese yen (100)	19.3366
Jordanian dinar	127.8100
Lebanese pound	10.8000
Egyptian pound	43.7914

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Commercial Banks							
IDB p	81,500	—	—	Malai I	551	54	n.c.
IDB r	3360	383.7	+13.0	Malai 5	770	82	+10
IDB B r	3453	67	+9.5	Major 0.1	219	41	+9
IDB p A	20,400	4	n.c.	Major 0.5	303	34	n.c.
IDB op 11	2,430	131	+2	Major op 1	1,040	2	—
IDB r	26,670	300	n.c.	Bond Ware 0.1	400	117	+15
Union op 1 r	—	no trading	—	Bond Ware 0.5	215	546	+5
Discount A r	4,344	134	+16	—	150	422	+3
Discount A r	4,344	55	+16	Yahalom	118	87	—
Discount op 1	2,475	33	n.c.	Yahalom op 1	516	87	—
Discount B	19	19	—	Nikuv 1.0	556	s.o.i.	-29
Discount B	130	733	+3	Nikuv 5.0	353	s.o.i.	-18
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Mizrahi op 1	—	no trading	—	Consort. 0.5	239	177	n.c.
Mizrahi op 11	2,500	60	n.c.	Consort. op B	241	2	—
Mizrahi op 12	10,683	215	-2	Consort. op C	107	115	+2
Mizrahi se 6	11,340	—	—	Kopel 1	421	48	+8
Mizrahi op 7	—	no trading	—	Kopel op 1	367	8	—
Mizrahi op 7	151	52	—	Cystal 1	581	8	n.c.
Maritime 0.1	2,250	270	-58	Rapac 0.1	1,799	2	-54
Maritime 0.5	520	490	n.c.	Rapac 0.5	356	49	n.c.
Maritime B p	3,569	3	+19	Supersol 2	2065	195	+10
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Ehrlich leaves a vacuum

THE PASSING of Simha Ehrlich is, in the first place, a cruel blow to the Liberal Party, which might have broken apart — and even disappeared from the political map — long ago without the leadership of the man who, in a true sense, was deputy to the prime minister.

In terms of voter allegiance, the Liberals, for all their vaunted 18 Knesset Members, are one of the country's smallest parties. In fact they are less a party than a haphazard collection of warring interest groups sporting allegedly liberal (actually conservative) slogans. What kept the Liberals from splintering into oblivion was, in large measure, Mr. Ehrlich's ability to weld them into a useful instrument for his friend and benefactor, Meachem Begin.

With Simha Ehrlich gone, centrifugal pressures among the Liberals may become irresistible. Even if the will to survive — as a party — overcomes their tendency to disintegration, the Liberals will find it hard to maintain their present inflated position within the Likud. The call within Herut for a "unification of the Likud" — meaning the swallowing up of the Liberals by Herut — is likely to rise more insistently than before.

At the very least Mr. Begin may now feel less obligated to adhere to the original Gahal agreement of 1965 which froze for the future the Liberal and Herut power ratios at that time. Since then Herut has accumulated greater power while the Liberals have steadily lost popular support.

Thus the Liberals may have no choice but to reconcile themselves to their true, diminutive size. By resisting the inevitable, they may bring the government down. But they — or, in any case, the resisters among them — are liable to find themselves merely out in the cold, a party of faction chiefs with hardly any following at all.

Pollution and balagan

TOXIC WASTE from factories threatens to pollute the country, yet no-one seems to care, least of all the responsible authorities.

Israel's only certified site for the disposal of toxic waste materials at Ramat Hovav, south of Beersheba, was closed 14 months ago following a fire. Meanwhile tens of thousands of tons of such material have been making their way into the ecosystem as a result of piratical dumping. The three government ministries that should have provided a solution — Health, Interior, and Commerce and Industry — are busy shifting the blame from one to the other.

As a series of articles on the problem in *The Jerusalem Post* last week clearly indicated, piratical dumping is the most "convenient" way for factories to get rid of their toxic wastes. To be sure, there are laws designed to curb this dangerous practice. But there is little enforcement of the laws, and factories are left to police themselves, which they manifestly fail to do.

The resulting damage to the environment is alarming. The quality of the air people breathe and the water they drink is steadily deteriorating. The effects, however, may not be immediately felt, except in the most-polluted localities, such as Haifa, Ashdod and Beersheba. This may account for public apathy to the issue of toxic waste disposal. Unless the public wakes up to the dangers facing it, the authorities, both local and central, are unlikely to take any particular action.

Yet action must be taken, and urgently. The first order of business should be the reopening of the Ramat Hovav site. But this will take time — one year at least, even if work were to start right away. In the meantime factories must be made by local authorities to pre-treat their wastes, store them in properly labelled drums, and fence them. Oil sludge must not be allowed to be dumped indiscriminately.

When the Ramat Hovav site is operational again, the central government authorities must see to it that the toxic garbage is transferred to the site, by hauling it there themselves. Factories should, of course, be made to pay for the service — perhaps through their licensing fee.

Fast movement on this health front need not, however, be expected unless the Israeli public shows greater awareness of the growing threat to its environment — and of the duty of the authorities to deal with the problem.

LEBANESE INQUIRY

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saying the list of victims had been drawn up from figures given by medical teams, Red Cross organizations and the Lebanese Civil Defence.

It said the Palestinian victims included seven women and eight children, while the Lebanese dead included eight women and 12 children.

Israeli intelligence officials estimated that about 800 people were killed or had disappeared during the massacres.

The figures of more than 400 dead were generally based on body counts by the International Committee of the Red Cross and other officials, but many residents never found their relatives and others

took their own family victims away for burial.

The Lebanese report, as cited by the judicial sources yesterday, seemed to be trying to shift the burden of responsibility to Israel, according to diplomats in Beirut.

It clearly tried to cover up any responsibility by the Christian militias and appeared to be using Haddad as a scapegoat.

Most survivors of the massacre said it was the Lebanese Forces militiamen who carried out the killings. Some said they also saw the insignia of Haddad's militiamen.

Any definitive findings would be a political hot potato in Lebanon, where the central government has little effective authority outside the capital and its suburbs.

Unlike Israel, where the massacre inquiry provoked an emotional and political self-examination and led to the removal of Ariel Sharon as defence minister, Lebanon had no public outcry for an investigation. Even criticism by Palestinians and their Lebanese Moslem sympathizers was short-lived.

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A step too far

By DAVID SAMSON

THE ARTICLE, "A way out of the deadlock" (June 12) was one of the few non-fictional items about medical salaries to emerge from the welter of half-truths and lies perpetrated on the subject since the doctors' dispute broke out at the beginning of March.

As one of the many doctors who have mixed feelings about many aspects of the strike, including the way the Finance Ministry has deliberately manipulated and distorted its figures on doctors' wages, I would like to thank the writer David Krivine for explaining simply and lucidly, after a full examination of the facts, that doctors are in fact less well off than other professionals in the public sector, at least as far as basic salaries are concerned.

Having said this, it's all the more a pity that this well-researched analysis of the pay problem was followed by a suggestion to abolish the public health service as a way to end the current conflict. Not of course that such a proposal is in itself invalid. It is rather that the speculative justification for such a radical step stands in sharp contrast to the careful and factually based evaluation which precedes it.

Envisioning a health service system totally restructured along private lines, Krivine declares that every patient will be a customer paying for the treatment he gets, "as the rich do in all countries to this day."

That is not so. The British National Health Service operates at present almost completely without any such fee-for-service structure, and patients are seen "free" by clinic or hospital doctor alike. There is a charge for prescriptions, but in Israel too the sick funds also

levy a small charge for drugs. Private practice in the British NHS is very limited, mainly because patients realize that by and large treatment in the public sector will be just as good.

In the British system, family doctors are individually contracted to the government, but this does not prevent them from obtaining and equipping suitable clinic premises, paying for auxiliary clerical and medical staff, and providing worthwhile inducements for them to work in the more remote parts of the country. These are certainly the sorts of measures which would be worth copying here, without dismantling the system. Interestingly, in the UK hospital service, senior doctors working full-time are not allowed to undertake any private practice, but are handsomely recompensed for the loss of this freedom.

The proposal is made that those who cannot afford to pay their bills be members of a state-run public health insurance system, which would foot their bills.

This is easy enough to say. However, there is no absolute ability to pay medical bills. In reality that ability is a relative one, with those with the highest bills generally the least able to bear the burden they impose. It was just for this reason that public health services, such as Kfar Holim, were set up in the first place. In any case, we are talking less about being unable to afford an occasional clinic visit, than being overwhelmed by the costs of a complicated series of stomach operations involving several weeks hospitalization.

Furthermore, who would decide, and how, who qualifies for such a

state-run service and who doesn't? Krivine would like to see the government ensuring that the universities turn out enough physicians so that "competition is keen." But medical education is not a sport, and training a doctor is too expensive a process for setting up a "keen" competition.

In a progressive country, doctors should be produced in numbers and types required to take care of the comprehensive health needs of its population as perceived and determined at a national level.

The insurance system would not reimburse all of the patient's outlay, the article says, for the patient "must have an incentive not to waste the doctor's time and his own money on trivialities."

It's interesting that "trivial" conditions and illnesses only occur in other people's families and never in one's own, for with one's own family any need for a doctor's services is always deemed justifiable. So it is not surprising that widespread research has shown that, when a visit to the doctor is tied in with a small payment, then the visiting rate doesn't fall perceptibly, or at least returns to its previous level after a temporary "dip." When a significant payment is involved, then of course it's not only "trivial" cases which fail to seek medical help.

The argument that reduced demand for medical attention from a more responsible public would "ensure" that fees for consultations are moderate. That is merely wishful thinking. The dental profession in this country is run almost entirely along private lines. Are dental fees in Israel moderate?

And wrapping it all up, Krivine states, again without foundation,

Dry Bones



that by and large the health of the population will not suffer by "abolishment of the public health service."

How can this be stated with such certainty? I don't know for sure what would actually happen. There are, however, pointers from research about the effect of introducing a more than symbolic payment for preventive medical services, such as child-welfare and ante-natal clinics. In such circumstances, there is a rapid and steep decline in attendance at, and participation in, such facilities, particularly on the part of the less advantaged sections of the population.

Perhaps the real meaning is that the health of those who can afford to pay for it will suffer by and large.

There is no doubt of course that there are serious deficiencies at present in our public health service, and that a major revamping is overdue. However, to abolish completely would be to throw the baby out with the bathwater, and create even more problems.

The writer, a family doctor, is a regular columnist for *The Jerusalem Post*.

READERS' LETTERS

ZIONISM DOWN UNDER

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — As a graduate of Moriah College, the Jewish day school in Sydney, Australia, I feel I should point out the fallacies of Yosef Goell's article of June 3.

The view Mr. Goell takes of the function of the Jewish day schools of Sydney and Melbourne is infuriating. He describes as "woefully ineffective" the instilling of Jewish heritage and the teaching of the Hebrew language by these institutions.

I came to a kibbutz ulpan two years ago and was placed directly in the third form, and my Hebrew was more than adequate to cope. I can state with certainty that no more than one per cent of students finishing Moriah College would not have attained a similar level of Hebrew.

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WRONG ADDRESS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — After the Government of Israel has signed an agreement and repeatedly expressed its intention of withdrawing our forces from Lebanon when other foreign forces do likewise, it would be far more useful if Peace Now supporters directed their energies at pressuring Syria and the PLO rather than create a mistaken impression and undermine national resolve to stand firm.

HARRY BRAND

Tel Aviv.

DELIGHTFUL ARTICLE

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — With reference to "Classroom comments" (May 24), are you sure Ms. Cashman was interviewing high school seniors? If these mature-sounding, level-headed young people decide to enter politics — they have my vote.

What a delightful article!

QUEENE PARNES

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THE LIGHT OPERA GROUP OF THE NEGEV

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — The Light Opera Group of the Negev would like to correct the erroneous impression that was created by Liora Moriel's article of May 27, "Ruddigore returns," in which reference was made to the Beersheba Theatre's reluctance to lend us costumes for our current round of performances. This was due to an unfortunate misunderstanding.

The fact is that they generously lent us several costumes and other essential items for all of our performances, and we are much indebted to them for their kindness.

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PLAYING THE STOCK MARKET

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — I have often wished to "play the stock market," but my husband is more cautious in financial matters. Would your writer, Joseph Morgenstern, advise me to practise the same deceit upon my husband (setting up a second account) as he advised a man to practise upon his wife? ("Your money and your questions" — May 16).

If so, would he advise me:

1. How to explain to my husband the sudden disappearance of funds from our joint account.

2. How to explain to my husband the non-return of these funds if my speculations prove to be less lucrative than I would hope.

Safad.

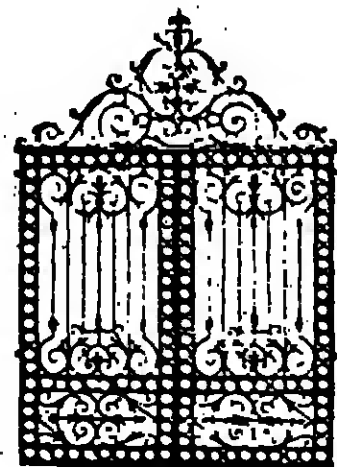
Sir, — Is Morgenstern serious, or is this a joke? Nothing like subtle, fuge to cause distrust in a partnership, be it business or marriage.

Would he want his wife to fool him in this manner? BEA FINE

Kiryat Tivon.

Joseph Morgenstern comments:

The suggestion that a separate account be opened was not made. I count be spared the anxiety grips most people when they share prices move in a high volatile pattern? Let one's spouse have his or her fun. It is better than a Friday night poker game with the boys or other forms of gambling kept within reasonable bounds.



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